# MINUTES MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023

The Montgomery County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 8, 2023 at 8:00 am at the Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row – Room E109, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present as follows: President, John E. Frey; Commissioner Jim Fulwider and Commissioner Dan Guard.

Also present: County Attorney Dan Taylor; Auditor Mindy Byers; Building Administrator Marc Bonwell; Sheriff Ryan Needham; EM-HS Director Jessica Burget; Chief Probation Officer Andria Geigle; Highway Director Jake Lough; CCC Director Sherry Henry; and Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

### **PLEDGE & PRAYER**

Board President Commissioner John Frey led the pledge of allegiance and Jim Fulwider led the prayer.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of Claims: April 24, 2023 to May 8, 2023

Payroll 4/21: \$422,625.25

Accounts Payable: \$2,431,869.26

Minutes: April 24, 2023

Commissioner Guard moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider.

Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### Taylor Powell Attorney Agreement -

The Plan Commission has a Re-zone request pending and County Attorney Dan Taylor and Tyler Nichols have discovered a conflict of interest and are unable to represent the Plan Commission in the Re-Zone Request to change a piece of property on CR300S from Agricultural to Residential. Taylor Powell is an attorney from Covington and he will replace Mr. Taylor & Mr. Nichols in the Re-Zone hearing and any other matters concerning the Re-Zone. His rate will not be above \$225 per hour.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the Taylor Powell Attorney Agreement. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

# Authorize Spending of \$250,000 from ARP Funds for Shelly Drain Project -

The Montgomery County Drainage Board have approved moving forward with reconstruction of the Shelly Drain which is located within the City of Crawfordsville and Montgomery County. Due to the large expense of the reconstruction the Commissioners are considering appropriating \$250,000 from the ARP Funds to help bring down the cost of the Project to the individual property owners whom are a part of the Shelly Drain.

Commissioner Guard moved to approve appropriation the \$250,000 for the Shelly Drain Project. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

## **ORDINANCES**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance 2023-3: Creating Partial 2023 Problem Solving Drug Court Grant Fund - \$8,000

The \$8,000 grant provides funding for the Drug Court Program, specifically \$2,500 Training; \$1,500 Incentives; \$2,800 Drug Screens; \$600 Treatment and \$600 Emergency Housing.

Commissioner Guard moved to approve Ordinance 2023-3. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance 2023-4: Creating Partial 2023 Family Recovery Court Problem Solving Grant Fund - \$8,000

The \$8,000 grant provides funding for the Family Recovery Court Program, specifically \$2,000 Incentives; \$2,500 Training; \$3,000 Chemical Testing and \$500 Emergency Housing.

Commissioner Guard moved to approve Ordinance 2023-3. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

# **2**<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance 2023-5: Creating Partial 2023 Veteran Court Problem Solving Grant Fund - \$7,500

The \$7,500 grant provides funding for the Vet Court Program, specifically \$1,200 Incentives; \$2,800 Training; \$2,500 Chemical Testing; \$500 Emergency Housing and \$500 Transportation.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Ordinance 2023-5. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider.

Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Guard moved to adjourn. Motion passed 3-0 votes in favor. Meeting adjourned @ 8:06 am.

Minutes prepared by Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, May 22, 2023 @ 8:00 am @ Montgomery County Government Center-Room E-109.

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

John E. Frey, Board Presiden

Attest:

Mindy Byers, Audit